

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 380
By Crutchfield

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Paul and Charlotte Hughes on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to help special citizens celebrate milestones in their venerable lives; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1946, Paul Edward Hughes and Charlotte Anderson were joined in holy matrimony in Chatsworth, Georgia, and since that fateful day, this loving couple has shared the joys and sorrows of life's journey, facing the world as one; and

WHEREAS, Paul and Charlotte are residents of Vonore and have been highly respected citizens of their community for many years; and

WHEREAS, Paul is a proud graduate of Vonore High School and the Athens Vocational Technical Center, where he was a respected student who excelled in his studies; and

WHEREAS, Paul is a decorated United States Naval Veteran of World War II; and

WHEREAS, he is an upright man and Third Degree Mason, a member of the Lions Club and lifelong member of the Grand Old Party; and

WHEREAS, he initiated the Vonore, Tennessee, Planning Commission which he chaired for several years, exhibiting leadership and guidance to benefit his neighbors and friends; and

WHEREAS, Paul also founded the Vonore, Tennessee, Volunteer Fire Dept. and has volunteered in numerous other capacities for many years, and he thus qualifies as the consummate "Tennessee Volunteer"; and

WHEREAS, a successful businessman, Paul owns Vonore Sand Company, as well as Paul's Radio and TV, providing needed services to the people of Vonore; and

WHEREAS, he continues to serve the Vonore community as a volunteer in support of enhanced business and industry development; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte and Paul are dedicated members of Oakland United Methodist Church, where their honesty and humility provide an elevated spiritual environment conducive to their Christian practice; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte gives her time to community service and family life; she volunteers at fundraisers for the Vonore Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Vonore High School, she engages in various volunteer activities in conjunction with Vonore schools and strongly believes in education and youth development; and

WHEREAS, she is always ready to serve the people of Vonore, Tennessee, and has been referred to by friends and neighbors as a "treasured resource"; and

WHEREAS, both Paul and Charlotte are the perfect parents and grandparents, with two beautiful daughters, Susan and Trudy; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Hughes' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That September 15, 1996, be recognized as the 50th wedding anniversary of Paul and Charlotte Hughes and that their dedication to one another, their family and their community be acknowledged and celebrated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.